

Homeland Security Activates Business Donation Site for Katrina Victims

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, today, activated its National Emergency Resource Registry through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The activation is in response to the outpouring of support offered by generous businesses nationwide.

"We're extraordinarily gratified at the number of businesses which have called, written, emailed and even visited offering their support and equipment," said Michael D. Brown, Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Emergency Preparedness and Response and head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. "But we need to coordinate all of these donations so we can get them to the people who need them most."

The Homeland Security Operations Center (HSOC) serves as the nation's nerve center for information sharing and domestic incident management. At the request of the HSOC - the National Emergency Resource Registry (NERR) has been activated.

The NERR stands ready to assist the coordination efforts between the resources that are needed and the resources that may be available from the private and public sectors. If you or your organization / agency / corporation have resources that may be made available to the response agencies, please list them in this Resource Registry.

For more information or to register your product or service, visit <https://www.fema.gov/> and click on "Help The Victims of Hurricane Katrina - Register Your Business To Provide Relief."

FEMA prepares the nation for all hazards and manages federal response and recovery efforts following any national incident. FEMA also initiates mitigation activities, trains first responders, works with state and local emergency managers, and manages the National Flood Insurance Program and the U.S. Fire Administration. FEMA became part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security on March 1, 2003.